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Applicant's amendment, filed 6/11/99 (Paper No. 16), is not fully responsive to the prior Office Action because of the following omission(s) or matter(s).

MPEP section 714.22 specifies protocols for use in amending language in a pending claim. Applicant has amended the claim language without the appropriate protocols for amending the language of the claims previously under consideration. For example original claim 11 recited a "eukaryotic" cell and the amended claims does not acknowledge "eukaryotic" as an element of the original claim. Also, original claim 30 employed brackets and amended claim 30 recites the same bracketed SEQ ID NO. limitations.

Applicant should carefully examine all pending claims to insure that similar errors have not been made. Applicant is invited to consider canceling certain claims (e.g. 11 and 30) and provide new claims to provide clarity. Applicant is reminded that the original numbering of the claims must be preserved throughout the prosecution. When claims are canceled, the remaining claims must not be renumbered. When claims are added, except when presented in accordance with 37 CFR 1.121(b), they must be renumbered consecutively beginning with the number next following the highest numbered claims previously presented (whether entered or not).

See 37 CFR 1.111. Since the above-mentioned reply appears to be bona fide, applicant is given ONE (1) MONTH or THIRTY (30) DAYS from the mailing date of this notice, whichever is longer within which to supply the omission or correction in order to avoid abandonment. Extension of this time period may be granted under 37 CFR 1.136(a).

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Phillip Gambel whose telephone number is (703) 308-3997. The examiner can normally be reached Monday through Thursday from 7:30 am to 6:00 pm. A message may be left on the examiner's voice mail service. If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Christina Chan can be reached on (703) 308-3973. Any inquiry of a general nature or relating to the status of this application should be directed to the Technology Center 1600 receptionist whose telephone number is (703) 308-0196.

Phillip Gambel, Phd. Patent Examiner Technology Center 1600 Art Unit 1644

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